

Office of the Attorney General

State of Texas

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Mr. Jay Garrett
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Dear Mr. Garrett:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Open Records Act, chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 117850.

The City of Greenville (the "city") received a request for offense report No. 97080344. You assert that the requested information is excepted from disclosure based on sections 552.103 and 552.108 of the Government Code. However, we believe the information is specifically covered by section 58.007(c) of the Family Code. This provision generally prohibits the public disclosure of law enforcement records and files concerning a juvenile offender. Section 552.101 of the Government Code excepts from public disclosure information that is made confidential by law, including information made confidential by statute. Thus, we conclude that the city must withhold the requested information from the requestor based on section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 58.007(c) of the Family Code.

We are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the particular records at issue under the facts presented to us in this request and may not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other records. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,

Kay Hastings

Assistant Attorney General Open Records Division

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Enclosures: Submitted documents

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